



DATE: February 10, 2016

AGENDA ITEM # 4

TO: Parks and Recreation Commission

FROM: Manuel A. Hernandez, Staff Liaison

SUBJECT: Parks Drinking Fountain Replacement Plan Recommendation

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve recommendation to move forward with Phase I of the sub-committee drinking fountain replacement plan with initial funding to come from of the available Park In-Lieu fund

BACKGROUND

At its January 13, 2016 regular meeting, the Parks and Recreation Commission reviewed and approved the sub-committee two phase plan to replace the parks drinking fountains.

City staff is in the final six months of a process that would qualify the City for the award of up to \$20,000 in grant funding to put toward the purchase and installation of drinking fountains/hydration stations in City parks. These funds will be awarded by the County of Santa Clara once the City of Los Altos complies with the agreement that would have the City adopt an Administrative Policy that would mandate food and beverages sold or served by the City or City contracted entities meet the Partnership to Improve Community Health (PICH) guidelines.

DISCUSSION

Staff will be moving forward with Phase I of the approved parks drinking fountain replacement plan by requesting approval to allocate funding for the project at the February 23, 2016 City Council Meeting.

Staff recommendation:

- Allocation of \$40,000 in the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) listing for the immediate replacement of the top three (3) drinking fountains on the priority list approved by the Parks and Recreation Commission.
- Initial funding (\$40,000) will be allocated from available Park In-Lieu funds collected through Development Impact Fees.
- Grant funding acquired from the County for the PICH program will be applied directly to the CIP project to replace the parks drinking fountains with approved hydration stations.
- Staff will utilize excess funding, if available, toward the purchase and installation of successive fountains on the priority list.

